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ELOQUENT ADDRESS

Dr. Mitchell Witty And Pleasing
as Guest Of Century Club

IN THE HIGH SCHOOL ROOM

On Tuesday evening in the Assembly room of the High School, Dr. Samuel C. Mitchell, President of Delaware College, made an address to an audience which despite the rainy weather was a very sizable one.

The meeting was a public one, and held under the auspices of the New Century Club whose President, Miss Eliza Green made a charmingly fitting introduction to the very fine discourse which followed. Mistakenly believing the speaker to be a Virginian she vivaciously told the story of the father who chided his son for asking everybody where they were from, since if they were Virginia, they would tell you, and if they were not, it mattered not whence they came.

The Doctor being a Mississippian was forced to deny the delightful impeachment, but added that he had taken root in the Old Dominion being a graduate of the University of Virginia, and hoped that now he might have the pleasing honor of being styled a Delawarian.

He paid a number of warm compliments to Middletown, its people and the youth it is sending to the College—the largest proportion of any town in the State. He spoke eulogistically of William Cann as a major in the college-troop, and the leader in the student athletics, and told with glowing praise how Alexander Berkman was paying his own way through the college, working at night in the telephone exchange, and studying by day, winning, too, a high standing in his class.

Dr. Mitchell's subject was "The Soul of the Community." He likened the roads, streets, buildings, telephone etc. to the body, and the churches, schools, newspapers, banks etc., to its senses through which that soul found an expression.

Tested by his dictum that a community is known by its good roads, Middletown and vicinity he declared were models, "Good roads benefit the community intellectually and morally for they are the highways of ideas as well as vehicles."

Another community sense is its schools—a yet higher test. As illustrating the far-reaching benefits which followed even the humblest planting of the seed of knowledge, he told the story of the founding at Hampton, Va., a way back in 1636—only sixteen years after the landing of the Pilgrims—of what later became a notable institution of learning, known as the Simms-Eaton School. Its trivial fund of \$200 acres of land and eight milch cows given by Simms, and a little more land and a few more kine bestowed thereafter by Eaton (Virginia) acres were plentiful in those days, literally "dirt cheap," and cows were not dear) now amounts to \$10,000 and has moreover survived all the vicissitudes of a bitter civil war raging around it!

As further showing how one great teacher soul can mould the thought of posterity and affect the destiny of a nation, he described how George Wythe, one of Virginia's signers, at one time taught in his school Thomas Jefferson, John Marshall, James Monroe and Henry Clay, "The biggest college in America, every one of whom delighted to trace the inspiration of his life to that particular teacher. Wythe hammed into his head his pet idea that it is right to set aside a law when it conflicts with the Constitution; later as Chancellor of Virginia in 1783, in Cato vs. Commonwealth, announced the norm of that great doctrine in constitutional law which Marshall afterwards as Chief Justice embodied in the epochal decision of Marbury vs. Madison.

The speaker also discussed Churches and Libraries as useful expressions of the Community-soul whose missions were lofty and blessed, telling how the chance glance into a cyclopedia turned the young teacher, Michael Faraday, into one of the world's greatest scientists whose discoveries and inventions in electro-magnetism have revolutionized science and manufacture.

The Doctor also spoke of how reading in his youth a broken set of "Knight's Half Hours With Best Authors," had permanently influenced his style and writing.

We regret a want of space forbids a fuller reference to this most admirable discourse, so replete with interest and information—with sage, wise both, as a physician remarked to the writer, it should have been delivered in the Town Hall to an auditory which would have filled it.

The community are debtors to the ladies of the New Century Club for giving the citizens a chance to hear their distinguished new college President, whose erudition and enthusiasm cannot but make him highly useful to your city of state fortunate enough to bring him in contact with his infectious personality.

Miss Frances Watkins, of Odessa, had the audience with her magical selections.

Little Ramona Newman, dressed in the garb of a Red Cross nurse, sold Red Cross stamps to the audience.

After the lecture, the Executive Board of the Club was invited to the home of Dr. Norman L. Beale where a reception was held in honor of Dr. Mitchell.

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COMMUNITY XMAS TREE

The most progressive—aggressive force for the public good in Middletown seems to be lodged within the body of intelligent, earnest women already well known to local and state fame for their good works—The New Century Club.

Here's their latest—a Community Xmas Tree to be set up in Cochran Square on Christmas Eve there to remain for three days.

The Town Board having creditably caught something of the modern spirit of civic betterment, agrees to furnish the tree and the lights. The School children white and colored, assisted by the choir of the various churches and all who can sing, will encircle the tree with sacred song on the interesting occasion.

The ladies wish it made plain that every one is invited to be present and take part—the whole community.

Rumor says that after much persuasion His Highness Santa Claus has been induced to stop off at Middletown and appear in full regalia.

Every little boy and girl well knows that Santa's pockets are big, always filled with good things, and what's more, somehow never stay filled long! So it is just possible the school children of Middletown may have occasion to bless his coming.

Let the whole town turn out and make the time and the event notable.

The celebration is useful inasmuch as it fosters community spirit, and promotes the wider spread of good fellowship among all classes—two beneficial things.

DUPONT TO BUILD BOULEVARD

"I am ready to build the boulevard just as soon as the United States Supreme Court pronounces the Delaware law constitutional."

This announcement was made Saturday by General T. Coleman duPont whose efforts to construct the State-wide highway were stopped by litigation.

As a recent decision of the Delaware Legislature, it is evident that no effort will be made to resume work until the matter is finally and definitely ruled upon. When this will be is problematical.

This statement of General duPont, however, to the effect that he will construct the highway if the legality of the law is affirmed, shows that he stands ready to carry out his original plans if they shall not be interfered with.

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Sales To Take Place

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 1915—Public Sale of Stock, Farming Implements, etc., by C. E. Pool, near Middletown.

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Fogel & Burstan's "Gift Plan" is booming! Many contestants! More Holiday workers!

FRIENDS & VISITORS

Personal Items About People You See and Know

THOSE THAT COME AND GO

Mr. D. P. Keith spent Friday in Philadelphia.

Miss Edith Spry spent Thursday in Philadelphia.

Miss Catherine Touhey spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. J. C. Jolls was a Wilmington visitor Tuesday.

Miss Ada Weber at Blackbird last week.

Mrs. D. P. Keith spent Saturday and Sunday in New York City.

Miss Ada Weber, of Blackbird, was the guest of Miss Helen Hall this week.

Miss Alberta Cochran has returned from a stay with Wilmington friends.

Mrs. Elias West, of Chester, Pa., are paying a visit to Mrs. Charles Derrickson.

Mrs. Warren S. Combs is at Ellendale for a visit with her mother Mrs. Reed.

Mr. Warren Ellicut, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Massay.

Miss Mary Lewis, of Seabright, N. J., is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Lewis.

Mrs. Samuel Price has been visiting her niece Mrs. Grant Rowbotham, at Glenolden, Pa.

Miss Myrtle Reed, of Wilmington, and friend Mr. Long, of New York, were recent visitors in town.

Mrs. Paul Barnette and little daughter Eleanor, and Miss M. O. Atkins, of Laurel, are visiting Mrs. C. T. Wyatt.

Mrs. James L. Warren and Mrs. G. Burton Pearson spent the week-end with Mrs. Robert Nowland, Philadelphia.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH NOTES

December 13th. The Third Sunday Advent.

Morning Prayer, Ante Communion Service & Sermon, 10.30.

Sunday School session at 11.45.

Evening Prayer & Address at 7.30.

Service on Wednesday evening in Parish House at 7.30.

Meeting: The Ladies Guild on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock.

The Junior Auxiliary on Friday afternoon at four o'clock.

Wednesday and Friday are Ember Days.

The Auxiliary is the most inspiring body of women, because its ideals are unselfish, and this inspiration shows even through the medium of the yearly reports. (A copy may be had for the asking.)

But the Rector wishes to say a word to the women of the Parish. It concerns the woman who is willing to join the Auxiliary, but thinks she is incapable of doing: You must take something to the Auxiliary if you expect to take something away either a well-prepared lesson or a comprehending ear and an understanding heart. For you have entered the Auxiliary to aid the Board of Missions by acquiring all the knowledge possible of its workings.

But the society cannot exist without officers, cannot work except through committees, and strength, whether mental, spiritual or physical, cannot come except through exercise. And are you sure you cannot be an acceptable officer or member of a committee?

So, be an active helper in the Auxiliary, the membership is open to all women of the Church. "Give the Lord all the afternoon of the first Friday of the month.

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Forest Church Notes

December 13th. 9.30 A. M. Brotherhood Devotional meeting.

10.30 A. M. Public worship with sermon. Subject, "A liberal offer declined."

2 P. M. Sunday School. Be sure to attend.

7.30 P. M. Public worship with sermon. Subject, "The right and wrong use of the tongue." Last of the series of sermons to young people.

Dr. League Saturday at 3 P. M.

Dr. Watt will hold the third quarterly conference of Bethesda, M. E. Church, next Wednesday evening, December 16, at 7.30 o'clock. Dr. Watt will give a lecture, explaining the new financial plan adopted by the General Conference. He greatly desires that all of our Methodist people shall attend. The Official Board is urged to be present. The quarterly conference will be held at the end of the month.

Through The Transcript I wish to thank those who by their good will and generosity made our Bazaar the success it was.

REV. C. A. CROWLEY.

Prof. Vaughn Lectures at Odessa

Prof. E. V. Vaughan of Delaware College delivered an address on "Our Town, a Typical Community," before the Tuesday Club of Odessa at the home of Mrs. Lee Sparks on Tuesday.

The lecture was one of the lectures given under the extension lecture course of Delaware College. Several ladies gave musical selections.

7.30 P. M.—Evening Service with Sermon.

The Wednesday evening Prayer meeting at 7.30 o'clock.

Card of Thanks

We desire to extend our thanks to all

friends and neighbors who so kindly

assisted us in the illness and death of

our beloved wife and mother.

SHOWER FOR RECENT BRIDE

According to their usual custom, the members of the Queen Esther Circle gave a kitchen shower for the latest bride in the Circle, Mrs. Mary Richards Banning.

The members and their friends met at the home of their President Mrs. S. J. Brockson, and proceeded to Mrs. Banning's home, while she was attending the moving picture show. During her absence, the business session was held when reports were read by the delegates to the Convention of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Misses Bertha Reed and Hannah Kirk.

Contributions of apples were brought to fill a barrel for the Riddle Memorial Deaconess Home.

ALLIES BEGIN A FORWARD MOVEMENT; BIG GUNS FIRING ALONG WHOLE FRONT

Fleet Bombards Coast and the Kaiser's Troops Abandon
Nearly All Trenches West of the Yser

GERMAN LODZ VICTORY NOTABLE MILITARY FEAT

London.—The allied French, Belgian and British forces have begun an offensive movement in the west, while the German forces in the east are retreating with the Russians.

In Belgium the Allies are now virtually in possession of the left bank of the Yser Canal, and a Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says heavy firing was heard along the coast, indicating that the warships of the Allies were again bombarding the German positions.

The Swiss correspondent of the Amsterdam Handelsblad says that the Germans delivered violent attacks on the trenches recently captured by the Allies, but were repulsed. He adds that the Allies have made marked progress in the neighborhood of Langemarck, Sonnebeke, and Bixschoote. The Germans are at a disadvantage because they have been obliged to substitute light guns for heavy ones, the floods making the use of the latter impracticable.

In Northern France, particularly in the neighborhood of La Bassée, where the Germans hold a very strong position, the Allies are beginning with a heavy cannonade to feel their way eastward.

The same process is being followed along the whole front, and the French official bulletin spoke of "the superiority of our offensive" and the "marked advantage" of the French artillery over that of the Germans.

The advance in the northwest, little as it is, has removed for the present at least, according to many, the German menace to the coast ports.

They believe that so long as the Germans are compelled to keep up the strength of their army in the east they will be unable to assume the offensive in the west.

There is a vague report, however, that the Germans have kept the pick of their western army in the Aisne Valley, whence at an opportune moment they can hurl it against the French lines and make another effort to get through to Paris.

FRENCH WIN DUELS WITH BIG GUNS.

London.—"On to Warsaw" is again the slogan of the Kaiser's troops in the desperate campaign in Russian Poland.

A big step toward the Polish capital has been taken in the capture of Lodz, as officially announced by Berlin. In addition to the capture of Lodz, unofficial Russian advices indicate that the Germans are making a notable advance along the entire line in Central Poland. These Petrograd dispatches say that fighting has taken place near Ilow and north of Lodz and at Piotrkow to the south. This would indicate that the Germans have gained almost thirty miles on both flanks between the Vistula and the Warthe Rivers.

Germany has repaired her terrible losses between the Warthe and the Vistula, has withdrawn battered armies from the very jaws of the Russian trap, has hurried vast reinforcements from East Prussia, Posen, Silesia, and even from Belgium and France, has solidified a battle line which stretches from Mlava, on the frontier of East Prussia and Poland, to Cracow, and is ready and determined to brave the terrors of winter and the superior numbers of the Russians in a third endeavor to seize Warsaw and the whole Vistula line, southward to Sandomierz.

From a battlefield of 200 miles, in which there are few gaps that are not amply protected by nature, the Germans are poised for the new attack. From resources of men and munitions, seemingly inexhaustible, Germany is ready and, in the center, the onward movement has already begun. Russia has no fewer than 3,000,000 soldiers to meet the onslaught on fields of battle chosen, not by the Germans but by a commander-in-chief who has proved himself a master of strategy, the Grand Duke Nicholas.

Some points of advantage that Germany has are her system of railways that touch the Russian frontier from Wirballen to Cracow and which enable her rapidly to transfer large forces from one threatened or weak point to another; a commander-in-chief, Marshal von Hindenburg, who has proved himself to be the ablest, probably, of modern commanders, and the assistance of a considerable force of Austrians who are massed between Czenstochowa and Cracow.

GERMAN-OWNED OIL IS PRIZE.

Cargo of British Tanker Subject to Seizure, Rules Court.

London.—The prize court settled a legal point by ruling that the entire cargo of oil of the British tank steamer "Rumanian," which sailed from Port Arthur, Tex., for Hull, was subject to seizure because it was German-owned. This decision upset the time of seizure, had been disagreed upon at Purfleet, England, was imminent from confiscation.

CAT GERMAN VICTORY.

London.—Lodz Called Remarkable Achievement.

The success of the Germans in taking Lodz, largely preceded in its regard as experts here as a re-enement. Less than a week ago the army to which this town was surrounded by the Allies had lost great numbers of men, guns, and equipment to the Russians.

TROOPS SENT TO THE BORDER

General Tasker H. Bliss Is Put in Charge at Naco.

MEXICANS FIRE ACROSS LINE

Action Is Taken By the Federal Government in Reply To Protests Of Governor Hunt, Of Arizona.

London.—The French are fighting their way toward Metz in Lorraine and Strassburg in Alsace. Paris expects that the column in Lorraine will cut the German communications between Metz and St. Mihiel and Altkirch will soon fall to the invaders.

The official reports of the fighting in Flanders and Artois confirm the unofficial reports that the Allies have taken the offensive and are attacking hard. The French and British in Flanders and France drove the Germans from trenches and villages they had held for many weeks. A gale of sleet and snow is sweeping over the northern area.

Berlin admits officially that the Allies continue the offensive both at the east and west, but asserts that the Germans maintained a successful defense in Flanders, in northern France, in the Argonne and south of Metz.

Paris confirms what has been known for weeks in military circles, that the Germans have lost their superiority in heavy field artillery and that the Allies have now more powerful and more numerous guns than the invaders. The significance of the news from the French point of view is that the Allies have the metal to stop any German advance and to support an offensive of their own.

RUSSIA.

PETROGRAD.—On the left bank of the Vistula there has been some fierce fighting on the front of Glowno-Lowicz and also in the western roads toward Lodz and Piotrkow. On the other fronts there were no essential modifications in the lines. On the fronts in the Caucasus there was no important fighting.

GERMANY.

BERLIN.—In the western theatre of war French attacks against our troops in Flanders were repeatedly repulsed, as they were also in the region northwest of Altkirch, where the French suffered considerable losses. In the eastern theatre of war the enemy's attacks east of the plain of the Mazur Lakes were repulsed with heavy losses to the Russians. Our offensive in Poland is taking its normal course.

FRANCE.

PARIS.—At no place along the entire front has there been any notable incident. On our right wing we have made progress in the direction of, and near to, Altkirch. We took 991 prisoners in the region of the north alone. In Belgium there has been an intermittent but fairly spirited cannonade between the railroad from Ypres to Roulers and the highway between Beclaire and Pass Chendaele, where the infantry of the enemy endeavored to gain ground, but quite without success. At Vermelles we are continuing the work of organizing the positions taken from the enemy. From the Somme to the Argonne region there is quiet along the entire front. In the Argonne there have been several attacks on the part of German infantry, but all were repulsed by our troops, particularly at La Corne, to the northwest of the Forest of Grun.

CONGRESS IS BACK AT WORK

Industry and Economy Will be the Watchwords.

WILL BE BUSY SESSION

Vote On Hobson Resolution For Prohibition Amendment Expected. Appropriation Bills Will Come First.

Washington, D. C.—Congress reconvened Monday after the fall recess. Members had reunions in the Senate and House, and after the introduction of bills and resolutions and passage of formal measures incident to the opening of a new session, both houses adjourned for the day.

Secretary Garrison later announced that he had ordered Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss to start for Naco with three batteries of field artillery and "await further orders there."

No cavalry in addition to that already patrolling the Arizona border has been ordered as yet to the international line, according to Mr. Garrison.

The Secretary declined to discuss what he termed "the diplomatic side" of the case, referring inquirers to the State Department.

Gen. Hunt's Protest

Secretary Bryan had retired when the Army orders became public, but it is known that today's action followed the exchange of telegrams between the Federal Government and Governor Hunt, of Arizona, in which the latter described the firing from the Mexican factions across the line as a serious menace to residents of Arizona.

It is understood that when the telegram from Governor Hunt were laid before the Cabinet, the President also directed Secretary Bryan to transmit a warning through American consuls to both Mexican factions fighting near the boundary that firing into American territory must be discontinued.

MADE MAN JUMP TO DEATH.

Youth Pleads Guilty To First-Degree Murder Charge.

Sandusky, Ohio.—In Police Court here Frank Davis, 18 years old, of Pittsburgh, pleaded guilty to a first-degree murder charge after confessing that he caused Frederick Valentine, of Cleveland, to jump to his death from a moving Lake Shore Railroad freight train at Baybridge a week ago.

Edward Moore, 24 years old, a negro of Jersey City, N. J., also pleaded guilty, he having been implicated in the confession of Davis.

Valentine, it is said, was compelled to jump after he had been robbed.

ITALY IS NOW READY.

One Word More Would Probably Have Meant War.

Rome.—Many members of Parliament consider that the statement of Premier Salandra in Parliament, in which he advised that Italy maintain her attitude of watchful and armed neutrality, and made a reference to what he termed the just aspirations of Italy, together with a demonstration by the members, means that Italy is now ready. Deputy Labriola, a prominent member, summarized his opinion of the sitting by saying that "one word more from Salandra would have meant a declaration of war."

EMPEROR WILLIAM ILL.

Feverish Bronchial Catarrh Keeps German Kaiser From the Front.

Berlin, via Amsterdam and London.—It was officially announced here that Emperor William is ill.

The announcement states that he is suffering from a feverish bronchial catarrh and has been obliged to postpone for some days his return to the front.

Despite his indisposition, it is said, he is able to give attention to reports of the war situation from the chief of the General Staff.

BANDITS STEAL BLOODHOUND.

Kill One and Take Another, Thus Following Their Pursuers.

TURKS REPORT SUCCESSES.

Say They Have Occupied Important Russian Point.

Constantinople, via London.—An official statement says:

"Near Adzara we have gained new successes over the Russians, capturing cannot and ammunition."

"The Russian attacks east of Lake Van (Kurdistan) have been unsuccessful. Our troops advancing from Lazaretz, Rudnik, Arandjelovatz, victories over the Turks in the Caucasus are reported by the Russians in battles close to the Persian border. The Russian army is closing on the Austrian fortress of Cracow, the complete envelopment of the city being temporarily delayed only by desultory German attacks."

KING PETER GOES TO FRONT.

Led By Him, Servians Take Firmer Stand Against Austrians.

London.—King Peter of Servia, who has been ill for many months, has assumed command of the Servian army and, according to a Nish report, as checked the advance of the Austrians, inflicting heavy losses on them.

The Poles have protested to the Pope and neutral states against the use by the defenders of the historical buildings for observation towers, thus inviting their destruction.

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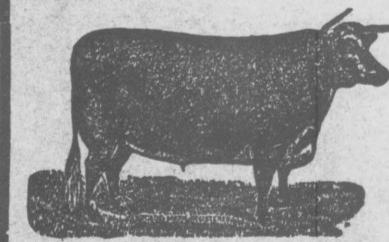
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EUROPE'S THIRD CRISIS

The mighty conflict now ranging in Europe is no mere clashing of dynastic or national ambitions, nor yet a struggle for racial supremacy wherein Slav or Teuton, Frank or Anglo-Saxon shall rise supreme, but is in truth a war to the knife between Civilization and Barbarism.

Germany's mad Kaiser dreaming to eclipse the war glories of a Rameses, an Alexander or a Caesar, and avowedly taking Attila, that savage Hun of the fifth century, as his model, after prostituting for a lifetime the genius and wealth of his people in elaborate preparations for war, has bloodyly launched his ambitious scheme of conquering the world!

Thus for the third time the civilization of Europe is menaced by barbaric hordes seeking by force to impose their brutal ideals upon the nations.

It is a curious fact that the crucial battles which defeated those two earlier assaults, were fought on the very Franklin plains where raged the great struggle of the Marne and yet rages that of the Aisne.

At Chalons in France, in the year 451, the Roman general Aetius broke the onward rush of the victorious Attila "the sword of Mars," as he was fearfully styled, and rescued European civilization from Scythian barbarism.

Again, in the year 720 at Tours in France, the Merovingian Franks under Charles Martel, met and turned back the Saracen invaders whose conquests threatened to destroy the Church and Christianity itself. Thus was Europe at Tours saved from becoming Mohammedan, as before at Chalons it had been saved from Hunnish barbarism. And now today once more is all Europe battling for its life on those same historic grounds!

But no one with faith in the God of Battles can doubt the outcome of this awful war of many nations, because the contest therein is between the haughty Kaiser's boast that "Might makes right," and Jehovah's eternal fiat that "Right makes might."

Were Germany's millions multiplied by ten, and the numbers of the allies shrunk to a paltry handful, still the righteous issue would not need to fail, for the Omnipotent could send again His avenging angel who smote the hosts of Sennacharib, and break in pieces the wicked plans of this presumptuous war lord of the twentieth century!

THE MEXICAN MUSS

THE situation in Mexico is if possible getting worse rather than better. There are now two presidents, Gutierrez, and Carranza, while Generals Villa, Zapata, Obregon and a few more, have their rods up with a view to catch presidential lightning—three or four of them hunting that honor with their "guns"!

The absurd Micawber policy of the Administration, "waiting for something to turn up," has so far resulted in naught but disasters and fiascos! Hundreds of peaceful American citizens killed—some of them even on our own soil; millions of American values destroyed not to speak of big European losses; and the quixotic, little Vera Cruz battle which cost a score more of valuable American lives, and several hundred Mexican; a weak backing out from Vera Cruz which has much damaged our prestige in Mexico; anarchy and bloodshed greater than before—these are some of the things that "have turned up"!

But Grape-juice Bryan is as hopeful as was the credulous Micawber.

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In pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court for Cecil County, in Equity, passed in cause No. 3181, Equity Docket of said Court, the subscriber, Trustee, will sell at public auction, at the Court House door in the town of Elkton, Cecil County aforesaid, on

Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914

At 11 o'clock, A. M.

All the three following described farms or tracts of land, belonging to the Trust Estate of Lavinia E. Clayton, deceased, which are described as follows:

No. 1. All that farm or tract of land situate, lying and being in the First Election District of Cecil County, in the State of Maryland, about one mile from the town of Cecilton, and on the public road leading from Cecilton to Warwick, adjoining lands of S. Wills Lusby and others, and containing

257 Acres of Land

be the same more or less, and is the same farm or tract of land which was conveyed to Julius W. Clayton, Trustee, by George W. Padley and wife, by deed dated November 2, 1906, and which is now of record in Liber M. D., No. 1, folio 589 etc., one of the Land Record Books for Cecil County aforesaid. The improvements consist of a two and a half story

Frame Dwelling House

good frame barn with stone foundation walls and stabling, frame granary, wagon shed and cow sheds, and other necessary out-buildings. There is also an apple orchard thereon in full bearing. Nearly the whole farm is good, arable land and in a high state of cultivation, well watered and well fenced, and convenient to markets, schools, churches etc.

No. 2. All that farm or tract of land situate, lying and being in the Second Election District of Cecil County, containing

492 Acres of Land

be the same more or less, and is now in the occupancy and possession of Frank S. Clayton, and is the same farm or tract of land which was conveyed by John M. Thomas, Executor, to Lavinia E. Clayton, by deed dated the 1st day of February 1900, and which is now of record in Liber J. G. W., No. 1, folio 511, etc., one of the Land Record Books for Cecil County aforesaid. The improvements consist of a good two and a half story.

Frame Dwelling House

almost new, good frame barn with stabling underneath, frame granary, wagon shed and cow sheds, and other necessary out-buildings. There is a young apple orchard on the place. About 312 acres of land is good, arable land, in a high state of cultivation, 189 acres thereof is covered with a good growth of timber. The farm is situated on the main road leading from Chesapeake City to St. Augustine, about two miles from Chesapeake City. This desirable farm is well watered and well fenced and is located conveniently to markets, schools, churches etc.

No. 3. All that tract of land situate in the Second Election District of Cecil County aforesaid, adjoining No. 2, now tenanted by J. N. McCoy, and adjoining lands of Charles S. Ellison, and is located on the public road leading from Chesapeake City to St. Augustine and from St. Augustine to Mt. Pleasant, and contains

333 Acres Of Land

more or less, and is the same farm or tract of land which was conveyed to the said Lavinia E. Clayton by Ella H. Bayard, by deed dated the 12th of December, 1892, and is now of record in Liber J. T. G., No. 2, folio 255, etc., one of the Land Record Books. The improvements consist of a good, substantial two and a half story

Frame Dwelling House

and a good frame barn with stabling, frame granary, wagon shed and other necessary out-buildings. There is a small apple orchard on this farm in a good state of bearing. This farm is well watered and well fenced and conveniently located to churches, markets, schools, etc. About 263 acres of this desirable farm is good, arable land and the balance is woodland.

These desirable farms must be sold for the purpose of settling the estate, and there is now an excellent opportunity offered to any person desiring first-class farms as investments.

THE TERMS OF SALE, as prescribed by the decree are that one-third of the purchase money shall be paid on the day of sale, and the residue in two equal installments in six and twelve months respectively from the day of sale. Cash payments to bear interest from the day of sale, to be secured to the satisfaction of the Trustee.

The costs of the deeds shall be paid by the purchasers.

J. GROOME STEELE,

Trustee.

WILLIAM S. EVANS,

Attorney.

HAROLD STEELE,

Auctioneer.

SHERIFF'S SALE—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Levari Facias, to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale at the Court House, on Market Street, between Tenth and Eleventh Streets, in the City of Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware, on Saturday,

THE TWELFTH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1914, At 10 o'clock, A. M.,

the following described real estate, viz: a certain lot or piece of land one-half acre and one-half story brick dwelling erected, situate in the William Penn county of New and state of Delaware, bounded described as follows:—

beginning at a point on the westerly twenty-sixth street at a distance of forty-four feet southerly from the side of Washington street; easterly and parallel with Washington street one hundred feet and four inches to a point; thence southerly and with Twenty-sixth street thirteen feet to a point; thence easterly and with Washington street, passing the centre of a nine-inch brick arch stone party wall, one foot and four inches to the said line of Twenty-sixth street; easterly along the said westerly Twenty-sixth street thirteen feet of beginning. Be the

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MY REMOVAL SALE

Middletown never saw a finer lot of Winter Clothing, Mens' Furnishings etc., than those in the Globe Clothing Store HIT HARD by its forced Removal!

What time so fit to get those Removal Sale Bargains as now with the Holidays in sight! Buy for yourself and use this rare opportunity to get useful Xmas presents for little money!

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Moreover, the orders for my Fall and Winter trade being already placed with the manufacturers could not be cancelled indeed these goods have largely been shipped and more are coming.

This places me in a terrible situation, and I am herein personally appealing to all my friends of past years to help. I must dispose of my stock of merchandise AT ONCE. Prices are no object with me now, I do not expect to get factory cost for these goods.

My store is filled from end to end with up-to-date goods, bought for my Fall and Winter trade, and I will accept any reasonable price for my stock. Every article advertised, every price quoted, is absolutely true. It is the chance of a lifetime for every honest wage earner, every farmer, every good wife and daughter and sweetheart, at this FORCED SALE to buy all kinds of goods at very greatly Reduced Prices! Yours truly,

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12.00 Overcoats, removal sale price	7.50
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50c neckties	23c
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Prices that do not cover the cost of the materials.	
Ladies' 35c Underwear	23c
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Ladies' \$1.25 shirt waists	93c
Ladies' \$2.00 silk shirt waists	\$1.25
Ladies' 50c Hose	43c
Ladies' 35c Hose	21c
Ladies' 25c Hose	18c
Ladies' 15c Hose	9c
Best Grade Ruber Boots, Hoods Brand, regular price \$4.50 to \$5.50, price	\$3.39 to \$4.49
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For less than cost at the factory!	
An opportunity that comes but once in a lifetime!	
Men's Fleece Underwear, Extra heavy 50c, sale price	42c
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CHAPTER XXII.

The Collapse.

Mrs. Brand did not leave the car, for she did not know her husband had gone to the Reynolds' home. He had merely pleaded a business engagement as his excuse for leaving the party, for he thought that to say he was going to see Reynolds would have prompted more than cursory inquiries from both the young women. As soon as Jane was out of the machine the chauffeur turned and spurred towards the Brands' house, so he was out of call by the time the door had been opened for her and she saw Brand within.

Her entrance could not have been more accurately timed if she had chosen the exact moment of it, for Brand's truculent tactics had driven her husband to desperation and the unwritten law that prevents attack when one is in the other's home would have held good no longer.

Reynolds recovered himself sufficiently to smile a welcome and inquire why Mrs. Brand had not accompanied Jane in.

"She certainly would have come if she had known Mr. Brand was here," his wife answered.

She stood regarding the two men in a quizzical way, scarcely concealing the surprise she felt after Brand's rather unconventional leave taking on the grounds of business. Bob went to her and took her hand.

"Jane, we've got company tonight. You can't guess who."

"Company?" she asked incredulously. "As late as this. Indeed, I can't guess. Who?"

"Dick."

"Dick!" she echoed. "Here? Where?"

"Yes, he's here now. Up in the den."

"I'll call him," she exclaimed with real enthusiasm.

"No, let me," Bob suggested. "He may have put up for the night there by this time. I'll see."

With a foot on the stairs he turned. "Mr. Brand and I have been discussing some more bushes, Jane, and this time I want you to know about it from the start—as a partner. And I think you had better hear Mr. Brand's side of it now."

Was half way up the stairs. He stopped and looked significantly at the millionaire.

"If I must talk to Mrs. Reynolds, tomorrow will do," Brand said. "It's late and she must be tired. So am I."

But Reynolds only kept backing up the steps.

"No," he said emphatically. "Tonight."

Brand was eager to evade the issue and gain time for further persuasion or compromise. He realized that Reynolds, in his present state of mind, would accept no pacification other than his full demand and he knew, too, that his own bulldog attack had failed. He must either pay the money or be placed in a perilous predicament, and Reynolds' retreat at this juncture had established a cul de sac from which there was only one escape. He turned, therefore, to Jane as to a last resort.

"Let's be seated, Mrs. Reynolds," he said as he approached, her face portraying now unconcealed alarm.

"What has happened?" she asked excitedly.

"Nothing irreparable, Mrs. Reynolds," the millionaire answered suavely, "but your husband is in a frame of mind—I might say a mental condition that makes it impossible for me to appeal to him either by argument or a straight statement of facts. He is in a bad hole, and now, when he's driven into a corner through his own



"He's Turned Traitor to You and Me."

asinine blundering, he's not only turned traitor to you and me, but he's a drunkard besides."

"Mr. Brand!" Jane exclaimed, turning red with indignation and paling with apprehension at the sudden reality of his words.

"Oh, I don't mean that alone," he averred, indicating the half emptied bottle. "It's his brain that's drunk, a matter in what direction he turns, he's intoxicated. He has lost his perspective; his sense of proportion. He loses everything he goes into and he has ruined this opportunity I give him. He won't listen to me. May he will to you. But whatever happens," he added in a patriling way,

"I want to save you out of the crash. I don't want to see him take you along with him."

"Take me with him!" she said in dazed tones. "What do you mean? Oh, please don't mince words, Mr. Brand. Tell me what has happened."

"Well, then," he answered almost defiantly, "your husband is broke."

"Broke!" Jane exclaimed, rising and sinking back as suddenly to the divan.

"You mean he's bankrupt? Penniless?"

"Yes, flat. He's been gambling in the street without my advice and today he went a little too far—decidedly

game that way. He has said one thing to me and has probably said another to you and I want to know what he has told you."

"But, Bob," she answered—and she looked at him through mist dimmed eyes—"why has he told me anything? Why, if this—this terrible thing has happened—haven't you told me or warned me? Brand said you are ruined—"

"I am," he broke in quickly. "He told you the truth there, but did he tell you how I am going to remedy it?"

"He said you had asked for more money—blackmail. Oh, Bob," she cried, clutching at his hands, "it isn't true, is it?"

He pressed her hands, but answered doggedly:

"Yes, it's true. That's the word for it—blackmail, and I'm going to have it."

She drew back and looked at him through her tears, startled and afraid. Then she glanced involuntarily at the table.

"Oh, don't think I'm drunk," he said stubbornly. "I know what I've done and what I'm going to do now."

"But you can't do it; you shan't," she exclaimed. "Brand doesn't owe you money. If you've lost yours we will have to suffer for it, not Brand."

Her words acted as an irritant to the sore.

"So, it's Brand, not me," he answered bitterly. "That's what I wanted to know; to know how I stand between you two. You mapped out my line of march once, but not again. Jane, if you side with Brand against me this time we are done, that's all. We don't seem to do team work very well and I can go it alone."

His tone, as cold and hard as his words, truly frightened her.

"Bob—Bob, dear," she cried, "don't talk to me that way. You're not yourself. You don't know what you're saying—"

"I know exactly what I'm saying," he answered, "and I mean every word of it. Brand fooled you once and he's fooled you again, but he'll find I haven't been so dull a pup as he thinks. His game is all right if it's played to a finish, and that is just what I am going to do—play it to the end. He used me when I was useful and thought when the right time came he could throw me aside. I was weak enough to get into his meshes and I'm strong enough to get out. He found stock and trade in your credibility over Staten Island and he thinks he can rely on you again. Did he tell you how I lost my money—the very last of it?"

"In the stock market."

"Yes, but did he tell you I invested on the advice of his broker? Did he tell you that he won a lot of money on the same stock? Did he?" he repeated as she sat staring at him in silence.

"He didn't say anything about himself, Bob."

"No, of course, he didn't. He didn't say anything about you, either, I suppose. He didn't tell you that when he framed it up with you for us to take that overdraft that would have to come out of his own pocket. 'More than that, Mrs. Reynolds, he's been drinking hard and doing things that a man is likely to do under such circumstances. I'm surprised you haven't seen it.'

"I have seen it," Jane acknowledged weakly, "but I don't think it was as bad as you picture it. Bob isn't a baby and I don't like to dictate to him in such things. He's been away a good deal, I know, but he told me he was for business reasons. Perhaps—perhaps," she faltered, "I have been away a good deal myself."

"Nonsense," the millionaire replied impatiently. "You haven't been out any more than Mrs. Brand has and I haven't got intoxicated or gone broke. Reynolds hasn't any excuse. And it isn't what he has told you, but what he has not told you. He hasn't informed you, has he, that he overdrove his bank account for \$10,000—after the bank had notified him that his account was closed?

"Don't misunderstand that statement, Mrs. Reynolds. You asked me not to mince words. I haven't. Your husband has committed felony and that when jail is staring him in the face he means to commit another one by attempting to blackmail me out of \$60,000—"

"Mr. Brand!" she cried with blood rushing to her cheeks, "I will not sit here and listen to such words. They are not true—"

"Aren't they?" he interrupted in turn. "Then perhaps you'd better ask your husband. But that's just what he demanded of me tonight. He says he is entitled to half of the \$200,000 that was saved on the cement for the dam and that I have given him only forty thousand. He demands the other sixty or vows he'll tell everything. Now is that blackmail, or is it not?"

Jane had no reply. The sudden force of Brand's attack had left her inert.

"I'm not talking this way to you of my own volition," he said. "Your husband desired that I tell you everything—everything that a partner should know. I am not through, Mrs. Reynolds. I want to state my side of it. Here it is: For your sake, and for yours alone, and because of Mrs. Brand's fondness for you, I'll square this thing at the bank. But that is all I will do. I gave your husband \$40,000 in good faith and he accepted it as such. Perhaps if he had asked for one hundred thousand at that time, I would have granted the request, but not now when he demands it under duress. You can tell him that I guess that's your end of the partnership, according to his view. That is all. We are losing good sleep."

"Then I won't keep you any longer," avowed Jane with dignity. Something of her old master and determination had returned. She arose and held out her hand. She shuddered slightly as he took it, and regretted that she offered it. The man who had branded her husband as a criminal, only smiled and stepped toward the door.

"I am sorry," he said condescendingly as he turned.

Reynolds appeared suddenly on a landing of the stairs.

"Good night, Brand," he said. "Through with your chat?"

"Quite through, I think."

"I'll see you in the morning, then."

The millionaire looked up, his hand on the knob of the door.

"Yes, you can see me in the morning," he answered, "and your wife can tell you for just how much. Good night."

He slammed the door behind him as he went out and Bob moved slowly down the stairs and crossed to his wife's side.

"Jane," he began, "you may think it strange that I left you with Brand at this time to hear from him the things he no doubt has told you. Don't condemn me too quickly. Our talk this evening was not a success. I have laid my cards on the table and he has pretended to. But he doesn't play the

game that way. He has said one thing to me and has probably said another to you and I want to know what he has told you."

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She passed through the door quickly and turned the lock. He stood looking after her a moment, a pathetic picture of complete despair. He tottered to the divan and sank upon it with face buried in his hands. So he sat for several minutes, only heaving shoulders betraying the depth of his anguish. Then he dropped his hands suddenly and straightened up. His face still portrayed bitter hopelessness, but there was mingled with it a demoniacal look of resolve. The look did not escape a silent spectator on the stairs.

Reynolds stepped briskly now to a little cabinet beside the piano, and bent over it, opening a concealed slide. A bit of shining blue metal flashed in his hands and he turned the cylinder quickly to make sure that it contained its deadly load. He moved to the table for his hat and as he did so Dick slipped down the remaining steps and stepped softly across the room. As Reynolds looked up the reporter stood before him.

"Going out, Bob?" he asked unceremoniously. "Rather late, I should say."

"Only for a moment, Dick. I need the air."

"Can I trail along?"

"You needn't. I'll be right back."

He stepped forward, but the reporter backed along in front of him. As they neared the door Reynolds made a dash for it, but Dick was too quick for him. He stepped slightly aside and caught his friend from the rear, pinning both his arms behind him. They struggled to and fro until Dick had dragged him to the center of the floor.

"Let me go!" Reynolds shouted.

"Dann you, Meade, I knew you'd do that. Let me go, will you! You don't know what he's done to me or you'd help stop me. Let me go!"

The noise of the struggle brought Jane from the dining room. She stood half way a moment, watching the contortions of the breathless men, like one charmed and bereft of motility.

Dick had dragged Bob to the divan now and they fell on it together. With a quick movement the reporter reached for Reynolds' hip pocket. He secured the revolver, but as he loosened one hand to do so, Bob, with a lurch, broke from his grasp and stood panting before him.

"Give me that pistol!" he ordered.

He got only a quiet smile and a shake of the head from his friend.

"Then, damn it, I'll do it with my hands!" he cried and rushed toward the door.

Jane staggered after him.

"Bob—Bob, dear! My boy! My husband!" she called beseechingly. The tenderness of her tone, the love note in her voice, arrested him for a moment where the antagonism of his friend had only accentuated his hysteria. He stopped and looked at her.

"Bob," she cried softly, "come back with me. I know I've been to blame with all my fault."

He only looked and his eyes suddenly were befogged with tears. His hands dropped again. The same inertia overcame him. He started back toward her, tottered and fell headlong to the floor.

The terror stricken wife stooped and caught his head in her hands, showering it with kisses.

"Bob! Bob! Speak to me!" she cried.

She pressed open his eyelids, her own tears mingling with his, while Dick, with more practical mind, forced brandy through his lips and sent her to the kitchen for ice. They packed the broken ice about his head, and chafed his hands, but in vain. He gave no sign of returning consciousness.

The physician lived only a few doors away and in a few minutes, having been summanously aroused by Dick, he was bending over his neighbor's side.

"A nervous collapse," he said tentatively. He mixed a stimulant and administered some of it. "Get some of this into him every 15 minutes and he'll come around. His heart action is good," he added, bending an ear to Reynolds' chest. "It's only a question of time—minutes, maybe hours, but there is no immediate danger. Come," he finished curtly, addressing Dick, "we'll carry him up to his room."

Jane followed and, weeping silently, helped to get her husband into bed. The doctor, like all others, assured that there was no pressing peril, prepared to resume his broken rest, but Jane would not let him go. He sat down resolutely, feeling of the stricken man's pulse and from time to time administering the stimulant as he had directed. At last Reynolds' lids parted and he stared weakly about. He looked vacantly at the doctor, but as Jane knelt and pressed her lips to his he recognized her and spoke her name.

"That's all," the physician said as he arose. "Never mind the medicine now. I'll send a nurse in the morning. Your husband needs a rest, Mrs. Reynolds—a good one. As soon as he is up get him away from business, and from other things."

He looked significantly at Dick, who nodded a knowing assent. Then he bade him good night.

Reynolds, his hand clasped in his wife's, lay quiet, speaking softly now and then to assure her of his consciousness and then weakly indicated that he would like to sleep.

"I'll bunk on the divan in Bob's den," Dick told Jane. "You're all right, old man, I know," he said, bending over his friend. "You want what the doctor ordered—rest, and you want it now."

He slipped out and left them alone.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Novel Street Lighting.

A departure in street lighting is to be tried on the vast open space in front of the Cathedral of Notre Dame by the Paris city council. Many complaints have been made of accidents to persons while crossing this square and the erection of refuge spots was decided on as imperative. In the ordinary way lamp posts would be erected on these refuges, but this would have completely spoiled the free aspect of the approach to the ancient pile. It was, therefore, decided that the refuge places should be lighted from underneath by lamps under thick glass.

"Well, what—about it—Jane?" I've explained it all—I guess."

"You have," she answered in halting tones. "You have explained—about—youself, and you should have

done so six years ago, before I married you."

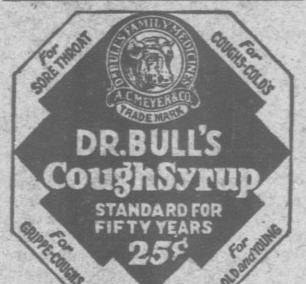


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Coming into Line.

Two smartly dressed young men were discussing the present economic situation when a third whose holiday suit, straggling hair and grimy hands betokened a holiday at some distance from a hairdresser's and a hasty journey home.

"Well," observed number one, "the paper says it's not only sensible but it's patriotic to economize just now, so he and I have given up the two 'B's' and the mater the two 'T's."

His hearers looked puzzled till he explained that the initial letters indicated respectively "beer and baccy" and "tea and toast."

"Since you put in that way," said number two, "I've dropped the two 'C's"—coffee and cigarettes."

The third man, evidently feeling out of it, began to explain that he had only just got back from the North of Scotland and hadn't really had time, you know, to think it out, but of course he'd have to come into line, etc.

"Don't worry, old chap," interposed number one. "You go on just as you are, and everybody'll know that you're economizing on the two 'B's—scissors and soap!"

Son Doubts Dad's Marksmanship.
Dr. Dan W. Layman, who has a musket catching record, and who is proud of his ability in the hunting field, tells a good story on himself. Mrs. Layman had just completed reading an article in the News on the foot-and-mouth cattle disease and the possibility of rabbits being infected with the malady, when the doctor said to her:

"Mother, I believe I will go hunting the rest of the week."

"I don't believe I would go if I were you. I am afraid the rabbits are all sick," replied Mrs. Layman.

Then seven-year-old Dan, Jr., spoke up. "Let father go, mother," he said. "Maybe he could hit a rabbit if they are all sick."

A cynic may be one who has discovered the bitterness in stolen sweets.

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WAR BRINGS NEW TASKS AND DUTIES

President Points Out Big Problems Which Confront Congress.

MUST OPEN GATES OF TRADE

Ships to Carry Goods to Empty Markets is Imperative Necessity
Our National Defense Lies in Our Citizenship—Need of Economy.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The new tasks and duties imposed upon the United States as a result of the European war occupied the greater portion of President Wilson's message to congress read today before a joint session of the two houses. The message follows:

Gentlemen of the Congress:

The session upon which you are now entering will be the closing session of the Sixty-third congress, a congress, I venture to say, which will long be remembered for the great body of thoughtful and constructive work which it has done, in loyal response to the thought and needs of the country. I should like in this address to review the notable record and try to make adequate assessment of it; but no doubt we stand too near the work that has been done and are ourselves too much part of it to play the part of historians toward it. Moreover, our thoughts are now more of the future than of the past.

While we have worked at our tasks of peace the circumstances of the whole age have been altered by war. What we have done for our own land and our own people we did with the best that was in us, whether of character or of intelligence, with sober enthusiasm and a confidence in the principles upon which we were acting which sustained us at every step of the difficult undertaking; but it is done. It has passed from our hands.

It is now an established part of the legislation of the country. Its usefulness, its effects, will disclose themselves in experience. What chiefly interests us now, as we look about us during these closing days of a year which will be forever memorable in the history of the world, is that we face new tasks, have been facing them these six months, must face them in the months to come—face them without partisan feeling, like men who have forgotten everything but a common duty and the fact that we are representatives of a great people whose thought is not of us but of what America owes to herself and to all mankind in such circumstances as these upon which we look amazed and anxious.

Europe Will Need Our Help.

War has interrupted the means of trade not only but also the processes of production. In Europe it is destroying men and resources wholesale and upon a scale unprecedented and appalling. There is reason to fear that the time is near, if it is not already at hand, when several of the countries of Europe will find it difficult to do for their people what they have hitherto been always easily able to do, many essential and fundamental things. At any rate they will need our help and our manifold services as they have never needed them before; and we should be ready, more fit and ready than we have ever been.

It is of equal consequence that nations whom Europe has usually supplied with innumerable articles of manufacture and commerce can now get only a small part of what they formerly imported and eagerly look to us to supply their all but empty markets. This is particularly true of our own neighbors, the states, great and small, of Central and South America. Here are markets which we must supply, and we must find the means of action. The United States, this great power for whom we speak and act, should be ready, as never before, to serve itself and to serve mankind; ready with its resources, its energies, its forces of production, and its means of distribution.

We Need Ships.

It is a very practical matter, a matter of ways and means. We have the resources, but are we fully ready to use them? And if we can make ready what we have, have we the means at hand to distribute it? We are not fully ready; neither have we the means of distribution. We are willing, but we are not fully able. We have the wish to serve and to serve greatly, generously; but we are not prepared as we should be. We are not ready to mobilize our resources at once. We are not prepared to use them immediately and at their best, without delay and without waste.

To speak plainly we have grossly

erred in the way in which we have stunted and hindered the development of our merchant marine. And now, when we need ships, we have not got them.

I have come to ask you to remedy and correct these mistakes and omissions. The time and the circumstances are extraordinary, and so must our efforts be also.

Use and Conservation.

Fortunately, two great measures, finely conceived, the one to unlock with proper safeguards, the resources of the national domain, the other to encourage the use of the navigable water outside that domain for the generation of power, have already passed, the house of representatives and are ready for immediate consideration and action by the senate. With the deepest earnestness I urge their prompt passage.

And there is another great piece of legislation which awaits and should receive the sanction of the senate:

I mean the bill which gives a larger measure of self-government to the people of the Philippines. I cannot believe that the senate will let this great measure of constructive justice await the action of another congress. Its passage would nobly crown the record of these two years of memorable labor.

An Important Duty.

But I thin' that you will agree with me that this does not complete the toll of our duty. How are we to carry our goods to the empty markets of which I have spoken if we have not the certain and constant means of transportation upon which all profitable and useful commerce depends? And how are we to get the ships if we wait for the trade to develop without them?

The routes of trade must be actually opened—by many ships and regular sailings and moderate charges—before streams of merchandise will flow freely and profitably through them.

Must Open Gates of Trade.

Hence the pending shipping bill, discussed at the last session, but as yet passed by neither house. In my judgment such legislation is imperatively needed and can not wisely be postponed. The government must open these gates of trade, and open them wide; open them before it is altogether profitable to open them or altogether reasonable to ask private capital to open them at a private venture.

It is the great subject of rural credits still remains to be dealt with, and it is a matter of deep regret that the difficulties of the subject have seemed to render it impossible to complete a bill for passage at this session. But it can not be perfect yet, and therefore there are no other constructive measures the necessity for which I will at this time call your attention to; but I would be negligent of a very manifest duty were I not to call the attention of the senate to the fact that the proposed convention for safety at sea awaits its confirmation and that the limit fixed in the convention itself for its acceptance is the last day of the present month.

Charting of Our Coasts.

There is another matter of which I must make special mention, if I am to discharge my conscience, lest it should escape your attention. It may seem a very small thing. It affects only a single item of appropriation.

It is the matter of making adequate provision for the survey and charting of our coasts.

It is immediately pressing and urgent in connection with the immense coast line of Alaska. This is a matter which, as I have said, seems small, but is in reality very great. Its importance has only to be looked into to be appreciated.

Economy is Urged.

Before I close, may I say a few words upon two topics, much discussed out doors, upon which it is highly important that our judgments should be clear, definite and steadfast. One of these is economy in government expenditures. The duty of economy is not debatable. It is manifest and important. In the appropriations we pass we are spending the money of the greatest people whose servants we are—not our own. We are trustees and responsible stewards in the spending. The only thing debatable and upon which we should be careful to make our thought and purpose clear is the kind of economy demanded of us. I assert with the greatest confidence that the people of the United States are not jealous of the amount their government costs if they are sure that they get what they need and desire for the outlay, that

Ready for Defense.

From the first we have had a clear and settled policy with regard to military establishments. We never have had, and while we retain our present principles and ideals we never shall have, a large standing army.

If asked, are you ready to defend yourselves? We reply, most assuredly, to the utmost; and yet we shall not turn America into a military camp. We will not ask our young men to spend the best years of their lives making soldiers of themselves.

There is another sort of energy in us.

It will know how to declare itself and for mankind:

Great Duties of Peace.

I close, as I began, by reminding you of our great tasks and duties of peace which challenge our best powers and invite us to build what will last, the tasks to which we can address ourselves now and at all times the free-hearted zest and with all the finest gifts of constructive wisdom we possess. To develop our life and our resources; to supply our own people, and the people of the world as their need arises, from the abundant plenty of our fields and our marts of trade; to enrich the commerce of our own states and of the world with the products of our mines, our farms, and our factories, with the creations of our thought and the fruits of our character—this is what will hold our attention and our enthusiasm steadily, now and in the years to come, as we strive to show in our life as a nation what liberty and the inspirations of an emancipated spirit may do for men and for societies, for individuals, for states, and for mankind.

Bell's-Letters.

Two author's wives were having tea together.

"My husband," said one, "often sits at his desk just thinking and chewing his penholder."

"As for my husband," said the other, "he has already gnawed off a corner of his typewriter machine."

Take It or Leave It.

Traveler (In Southern hotel)—Can I get anything to eat here?

Sambo—Yes, sah.

Traveler—Such as what?

Sambo—Such as it is, sah.

A Little Joke.

"What makes you think she'll never cut a great figure in any man's life?"

"Well, you see how petit she is!"—Judge.

Its Kind.

"That old rooster over there is ordering a drink."

"Then I bet it's a cocktail."

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Table linen, all grades; warm blankets \$1 to \$7, floor rugs, all grades; lawn comforts \$5 to \$7; comforts, cotton-lined \$1 to \$2.50; brass jardinieres 80c, \$1 and \$1.50; fancy lamps \$3 to \$6, vases 50c, \$1 and \$2; table ferns with silver dish \$1, leather pocket books 50c to \$8, initial handkerchiefs 25c, table linens 50c, 75c and \$1 yard; linen napkins \$1, \$1.25 and \$2; gantlet driving gloves 50c, \$1 and \$1.50; German silver mustard cup 75c, auto veil \$1.25; umbrellas \$1, \$1.50 and \$2, sterling silver articles 40c and 50c, celluloid articles 25c to \$1.50, sewing baskets 75c and \$1.25, sewing sets 50c and \$1, slipper trees 50c, coat sweater \$5.

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To all to whom these presents may come, greeting:

WHEREAS, it appears to my satisfaction from the official record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof, by the consent of all the stockholders deposited in my office, the Prospect Land Improvement Company, a corporation of this State whose principal office is situated at No. 504 So. Clayton Street, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle, State of Delaware, Percival R. Roberts, being agent therein, and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served, has complied with the requirements of "An Act providing for General Corporation Law," amended and re-enacted March 1, A. D. 1901, amended and re-enacted March 29, A. D. 1905, amended and approved March 21, A. D. 1907, amended and approved April 5, A. D. 1909, amended and approved March 31, 1911, amended and approved March 1918; preliminary to the issuing of this CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas W. Miller, Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, do hereby certify that the said corporation on the 4th day of December, A. D. 1914, file in the office a duly executed and attested consent, in writing, to the dissolution of said corporation executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the records of the proceedings aforesaid, are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Dover, this

[SEAL]
Fourth day of December
in the year of our Lord
one thousand nine hundred and four.

THOMAS W. MILLER,
Secretary of State.

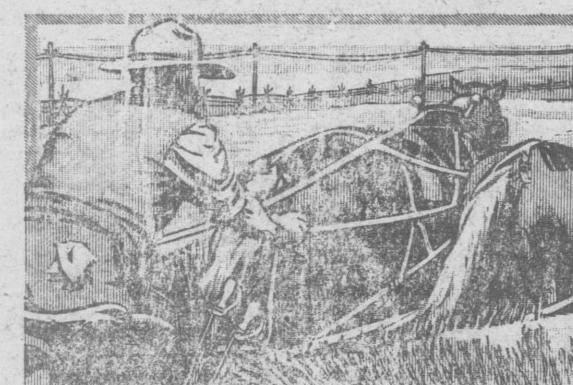
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This complimentary fact partly explains his phenomenal success, plus, of course, the fact that he sells a fine car.

He always looks after his patrons and helps beginners out of pecks of trouble.

Mr. Reynolds' square business dealings has won the confidence of the community and helped him build up his large and growing trade. Read his ad. in this issue.

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Short & Walls Lumber Co.

Do our iddlertown people know that they have in their midst as large a lumber yard as is found on this whole Peninsula! It is the old Hakill yard, now owned and run by the firm of Short & Walls, the latter gentleman being in personal conduct of the immense business of the new firm.

Short & Walls keep a full stock of lumber of every kind, Tiling, Bricks, Wire Fences, woven or barbed, Portable Wooden Fences, Railings, Cedar Posts, Cements, Patent Hollow Building Blocks, Farmers' Hardware, etc.

They also keep the best kinds of hard and soft coal, in large quantities in their bins.

You would not suspect that these half dozen or so small piles of galvanized corrugated roofing represented \$2500 in money but they do, and so it is with much of the Lumberman's plain seeming wares!

Mr. Walis is one of Middletown's finest recent acquisitions as a new citizen. He is an active and progressive, and is taking an active part in the public affairs of his adopted town and County.

His building of a broad cement walk around his large yards and offices, is literally a concrete illustration of his public spiritiveness. All who wish to build or are in need of his wares ought to read his big ad. in The Transcript.

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W. S. Letherbury, Hardware

Middletown's oldest Hardware store and none better—Mr. Letherbury's! What you can't find in the iron and steel line in his place ain't made we reckon—Stoves, Ranges, Hardware of every nature, Cutlery, tin, agate and aluminum ware of every description.

Mr. Letherbury makes a specialty of roofing and tinning work, plumbing and heating.

As special Xmas Gifts he suggests his patrons treat themselves or their friends to one of his beautiful Columbia Graphophones which he sells and for which he is monthly in receipt of new rolls.

Mr. Letherbury has not only been honored by his fellow citizens by being chosen Town Commissioner, but also by being sent to the Legislature as their Representative. Read his ad. herein.

The Beacon College

Don't fail to read the large illustrated, full page cover advertisement of the Beacon Colleges.

Mr. W. H. Beacon, an experienced and able educator, especially on commercial lines, and who was six years with the Godley College, in 1900 founded the Wilmington Beacon College.

Like most things which grow to bigness, its beginning was humble, the school needing but three small rooms, while now it occupies over 8000 square feet of floor space, in the fine Odd Fellows Building, southeast corner of Court House Square, Wilmington.

Read also in our "Beacon College" the eulogy we quote from Judge Conrad A. H. of Del., Vol. I. p. 32.

Measured by the growth in numbers of these two schools, and what is still better, by the striking business success their graduates have so often won, it is just to say that the Beacon Business Colleges stand in the very foremost rank of practical educational institutions.

Its students are emphatically hand picked, and it is this careful personal attention, upon the part of President Beacon himself as well as of his corps of able teachers, to the work and needs of each individual student, that results in so many instances in fitting them for fine business careers.

Nothing short of this honest study of the individuality of each student will accomplish such results—plus also, contact with the infectious enthusiasm of such a born teacher as Mr. Beacon.

The Beacon students are sent all around the globe—even to Australia, and the Philippines. Mr. Beacon makes a specialty of training students for the Civil Service examinations, and his graduates have been very successful in getting responsible positions therein.

Here is what one of Middletown's former well known Academy teachers, Mrs. Ida R. V. Crone, says about Beacon:

"After examining carefully the courses of study used in several business colleges, I decided to send my daughter to the Beacon Business College, because it corresponded with my ideas of what is necessary for a business training. The position secured for Louise was very desirable, and we feel sure you will be interested in her success. Your school must succeed as it is founded upon the right principle the good of each student!"

The high opinion our community has formed of Beacon College is shown by the fact that it is constantly sending its youth thither, the following four students now being in attendance there:

Misses Estelle Beasteen and Sarah Kates, Messrs. Theodore Whitlock and Merritt Lockwood.

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Henry D. Howell, Carriages, &c

Mr. Henry D. Howell is one of the young men who have creditably made their mark in our community, not only in business, but in the civic life of the town.

As the successor to his honored father, Charles H. Howell, in the carriage and blacksmithing business, he is the oldest establishment of the kind in Middletown and the only place where fine carriage repair, painting and etc. is done, from running gear to leather work of all kinds.

Mr. Howell is an ingenious and skillful workman in every branch of his business which includes the sale and repair of bicycles as well as the sale of bicycle goods of all kinds. He could have given Holmes' famous, much dislocated "One Horse Shay," a new lease of life! He has recently more than doubled his horse shoeing facilities by rebuilding the house on Main street.

Mr. Howell stands high in our community both for his business ability, and for the honorable manner in which he always conducts his business.

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The Preston Cannery

One of our town's fine industries is the Tomato Cannery—which this year packed over 500,000 cans of choice Tomatoes, paid \$9000 to our farmers, and gave 90 persons employment for eight weeks.

Mr. H. T. Preston has for the past seven years been in charge of the business which his father, J. H. Preston, now a hale octogenarian (in his 85th year) started here 21 years ago.

Mr. Preston has paid to the farmers as high as \$16,800 in a single season.

Mr. Preston's three brands are sold by every grocer in town and in all the big cities—Mr. Preston is rightfully proud of his goods, and of his success. See his ad.

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E. H. Beck, Real Estate

For the past ten years Mr. E. H. Beck has conducted a real estate business in Middletown, during that period making many sales and other properties, and realizing good prices for his clients.

Mr. E. H. Beck has one term as Town Commissioner in Middletown. Through his efforts the attention to local affairs has been already largely increased.

Mr. E. H. Beck has a varied list of farms and houses for sale.

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J. H. Emerson, Furniture &

Mr. Emerson is Middletown's largest and choicest Furniture Dealer. One can furnish one's home in the most approved style, from parlor to kitchen, out of his extensive and varied selections of handsome and artistic Furniture, Rugs, Linoleums, Window Shades, Mattings, &c.

Mrs. Emerson also has a fine line of stamped articles for embroidery and some already made up.

Mr. Emerson is an able undertaker and a highly skilled embalmer. He first studied anatomy with the view to practicing dentistry, and then had six months experience in practical clinical embalming with one of the largest undertaking firms in Philadelphia.

The Citizens National Bank

Middletown is fortunate in having two first class banks, both well managed by efficient and polite officers.

The Citizens National Bank was established in 1859 as a state bank but became in 1866 a National Bank with a capital of \$80,000.

It's business has been so ably conducted that today its total resources exceed a half million dollars. It's surplus now equals its original capital, viz. \$80,000; its undivided profits are \$30,000, and its deposits amount to \$300,000. It is, therefore the largest, and moreover the strongest bank in the County outside of Wilmington.

Mr. Joseph Biggs is its President and Jesse L. Shepherd, Esq., its Vice President, and Mr. John S. Crouch in the responsible office of Cashier has for thirty years administered the Bank's affairs with great ability and courtesy.

Mr. George Janvier is a telemarketer and Messrs. John R. and Frederick S. Crouch as bookkeepers, complete the Bank's affable personnel.

The growth of the Citizens Bank is proof at once of its wise and conservative management and of the faith reposed in its financial soundness by the business world.

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The People's National Bank

Though many years the junior of its sister bank, The People's National Bank of Middletown, established in 1883, has proved a worthy rival, and shared with it the increasing prosperity and business of this community and surrounding country.

The capital stock of the People's National Bank is \$80,000, and its surplus \$30,000. Nothing could better indicate its prosperous and growing condition than the fact that in the past six months the Bank's deposits have had the noteworthy increase of fifty per cent!

The first President of the People's National Bank was Dr. J. V. Crawford. The late highly esteemed George M. D. Hart, of Townsend, who was for a number of years its President, was succeeded by the Hon. George L. Townsend, of Odessa, now U. S. Marshall for Delaware.

Mr. James D. Davis, Jr., formerly of Galena, Md., was elected to the important position of Cashier in 1912, and manages the Bank's business with equal efficiency and politeness. Mr. Robert Douglas was promoted to the office of teller in 1913, and Mr. N. E. Letherbury and Mrs. Margaret Pierce act as bookkeepers.

The Bank's growth and its increased deposits, attest the confidence of the community in it and its officers.

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Truitt's Drug Store

In Mr. Ernest A. Truitt the town has another illustration of a successful, self-made young business man.

Mr. Truitt started five years ago without any capital save his fine knowledge of his profession, his youthful energy and his good character, to conduct a Drug Store at the old Dr. Martin Barr stand, and is succeeding admirably, sustaining the high reputation of that store.

Mr. Truitt's Pharmacy is furnished with every drug and chemical required in any physician's prescription and these he does carefully and well, being a graduate of Pharmacy able to write Ph. G. after his name.

Mr. Truitt also keeps all the other many articles usually found in good drug stores—perfumed soaps, perfumery, patent medicines, candies, cigars, dyed, etc.

In his ad. in this issue he tells about his select line of Rubber Goods!

Mr. Truitt's polite ways have made him a host of friends.

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Bragdon's Drug Store

Mr. J. G. Bragdon is the town's oldest druggist. He has for many years run the fine Drug Store on the corner of Main and Broad streets, wherein he keeps an excellent assortment of all the drugs and chemicals commonly found in a well stocked drug store, and needed to fill properly any physician's prescriptions. He has also a fine stock of Xmas goods of every sort to be found within!

She also runs a soda fountain and gives her patrons many sorts of delicately concocted drinks. Her oyster trade with housekeepers is also a good one.

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S. M. Rosenberg, Clothing

One of Middletown's business fixtures is that breezy Clothing and Furnishing Goods man Mr. S. M. Rosenberg, who in his 13 years in the town has built up a large trade in this and neighboring sections—for many of his customers come over the Delaware line from Maryland to deal with him.

Mr. Rosenberg in February, 1915 removes from his present store to the Town Hall.

In his "Removal Sale" he advertises \$12,000 of dollars worth of Winter Clothing, Men's and Women's Furnishing Goods, Notions etc., at greatly reduced prices—in fact he is presenting prices what it would cost him in money and injured goods, to move all of his big stock.

And if one may judge from the crowds of buyers one seen in his store availing themselves of his bargain offers, he will not have to move all his piles of goods into the new Store!

Mr. Rosenberg drives his business always, and by printer's ink, and striking signs, keeps all the world well advised that the Globe Clothing Store, is alive, and doing business at the old stand."

Mr. Rosenberg advertises "All sales guaranteed, money returned, or exchange of any unsatisfactory purchase, and no questions asked." That is fair surely, and who could ask more!

In his new and simpler quarters in the Town Hall Mr. Rosenberg intends yet further to extend and enlarge his business by keeping a bigger stock of all the various goods he now sells.

It is not necessary to tell the reader to see his ad.—you can't help seeing it—it is so big—a whole page, and he tells you it is crammed with Holiday Bargains!

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WAITING TO HEAR FROM SANTA



Mrs. Weber's Candy Store

Mrs. Rosa Weber keeps a high-grade Confectionery Store and Restaurant where oysters and counter lunches, prepared in the finest style can be had day and night.

Her Ice Cream Parlor and Candy Store is especially popular with young people. Mrs. Weber carries a large and varied stock of choice cakes, fruits, confections and nuts of all kinds, and has deservedly built up a fine trade both as a candy store and as a restaurant.

She also runs a soda fountain and gives her patrons many sorts of delicately concocted drinks. Her oyster trade with housekeepers is also a good one.

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M. Berg, Tailor

Middletown has for two years had a good resident tailor—M. Berg who with his assistant makes suits to order for ladies and gentlemen and overcoats for men. He also presses and cleans clothes for both.

Some of our best citizens who wear his garments pronounce them well and stylishly made, and fair in price, and highly recommend his work. Until January 1st Mr. Berg makes suits for 15 per cent off.

He is a good citizen and workman and merits the fine patronage he is receiving.

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Middletown's Fine Dentists

The ethics of the profession forbid dentists to do much advertising, but we must tell our readers how fortunate Middletown is in having as Dentists two such courteous gentlemen and skilled workmen as Dr. J. Allen Johnson, and Dr. Warren S. P. Combs.

Dr. Johnson has been here long enough to win a fine established practice and Dr. Combs, but two years a resident,

Plenty of Proof
By O. F. WOODRUFF

EDDY sat upon the top step of the stairs that led to the street and rested his chin in the palm of his hand. Some of the fellows came along and hollered to him, but Teddy didn't answer. He didn't want to play with the fellows just now for he was battling with a great sorrow.

You had said it, so it must be true, for Tom was eight years old and didn't have to go to bed until 8 o'clock. Teddy's hour for retiring was half past 7, and he realized that the extra half hour made a man of the world out of Tom, while it left the unfortunate Teddy still a baby.

Teddy had stuck his hands into his pockets—Tom's trousers were lovely and rough, just like his father's—and had swaggered around telling all the fellows that there wasn't any Santa Claus! When questioned further, he had said that there used to be, but that this year there wasn't going to be, and there never would be again.

No Santa Claus? If Teddy hadn't been six years old, he might have cried, but of course one as old as he never cried.

Teddy wondered if he'd better tell his mother. He decided he wouldn't. Why should his mother, whom he loved so dearly, be made to suffer any longer than was necessary?

It was hard, though, during the next two weeks, which seemed like years, not to tell, and when Christmas eve came and his mother gayly brought out his biggest pair of stockings and



hung them up at the end of the mantel he could hardly keep back the tears. How disappointed he and his mother would be when they got up in the morning and found the stockings empty! She leaned over and kissed him tenderly. "Are you tired, dear?" she asked. "You don't seem as happy as usual!"

Teddy assured her, as well as he was able for the lump in his throat, that he was perfectly well. His mother, like the wise one that she was, didn't press the question. She merely drew up her low rocking chair and sat beside the bed until she thought Teddy was asleep and then she crept quietly down stairs.

Teddy lay for a long time after she went, watching the firelight flicker on the walls. He couldn't go to sleep and besides what was the use, when there wasn't anything to wake up for? A good many tears rolled out of the corners of his eyes, but he didn't care now.

He must have lain there for about four or ten hours, he thought, and had just shut his eyes to rest them from the light, when he heard a sound, a very little bit of a sound. He sat up quickly in bed and listened eagerly, because it sounded, it really did sound, as if it might be sleighbells. In a minute, he didn't know just how, he was leaning out of the window.

He didn't feel as if he had walked there at all, but more as if he had just skinned along without any effort on his part, as if he had been some sort of delightful fish-bird. He leaned away out of the window, not feeling a bit afraid of falling, and looked down upon the street.

Yes, down there on the street, as plain as day, he could see the reindeer shaking their long horns and prancing until the bells that seemed almost to tremble filled the air with their single. And then there was a . . . Somebody was climbing up the sleigh! There was the echo



A jovial voice calling, the horns of the reindeer quivered joyfully, their hoofs pawed the ground, then the whole turnout seemed to leap into air, and like a flash was gone!

Teddy rubbed his eyes. It was funny. He thought he was at the window here he was in bed.

He sat up and looked around the room. The fire in the grate had gone, the gray light of the morning failing to steal through the window. Teddy slid out of bed and went to the fireplace.

Sokings were bulging in all places as had been their exhilaration other years! He put out his hand and touched one of them and it was no dream! The stockings were overflowing!

He sighed, whispering a silent relief. Teddy clasped his hands and the knuckles showed the snow outside. Then an absolute delight he had never known!

A pair of sleepy eyes at last met upon her, laughing.

"Mother, mother!" he called after all! Santa Claus did it! Santa Claus did it!" Ch-

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and Stationery Store.

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JOSEPH R. HELDMYER'S Cash Store GROCERIES

Meats
(Salt and Fresh)
Fish
Vegetables
Canned Goods
Cereals
Teas & Coffees

Fresh Eggs
and
Butter
Cheese
Crackers
Cakes, Nuts
and Candies

Fruits
(Foreign & Domestic)
Olives and Pickles
Syrups & Jellies
Acme and King Midas Bread

Sole Agents for Odessa Creamery Butter. Your Tickets save you 2 per cent.

Big Special Christmas Stock

TO ALL—A MERRY XMAS—A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Cor. BROAD & MAIN STREETS

Phone No. 223.

Middletown, Del.

Middletown Candy Kitchen

Middletown Farms ICE CREAM, "Caramala" and other flavors; Sodas, Cocoa Cola, Grape Juice, Clawson's Ginger Ale

Bon-bons, Nuts and Crushed Fruit Sundaes, Choice Candies, Taffies and Chocolates, Fine Fruits, Oranges, Lemons, Bananas and California Grapes, Nuts of all kinds

Fine line of National and Sunshine Cakes and Crackers. Oysters served all styles, and by pint or quart, Cigars, Cigarettes, Smoking and Chewing Tobacco, Fresh Roasted Virginia Peanuts.

T. W. TRUITT, Middletown, Del.

Mrs. Rosa Weber's POPULAR

ICE CREAM PARLOR, CANDY STORE & RESTAURANT

A Big Stock of Choice Candies, Taffies, Fruits, Nuts, Bon-bons, Sodas. Oysters and Light Lunches, all hours.

Good Cooking-Tasty Service.

Rosa Weber,

PHONE—210

The Very Best of Everything!

Middletown, Del.

For—

NEAT and BEST

JOB WORK

Apply to This Office

To My Friends and Patrons

A MERRY Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year! When wanting to sell or buy Real Estate, remember ME. When wanting to borrow or loan money, remember ME. Farms are my specialty.

E. H. BECK, Middletown, Del.

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK

Middletown, Delaware

Capital	\$ 80,000.00
Surplus	\$ 80,000.00
Undivided Profits	\$ 30,000.00
Deposits	\$300,000.00

WHY DON'T YOU HAVE A BANK ACCOUNT?

1st. Money in the bank is not as carelessly spent as money in the pocket.

2d. Payment by check affords a record of what you pay out.

3d. Checks make a receipt for the payment you made.

We solicit your business and promise you every facility consistent with sound and conservative banking. It is our desire to render the greatest possible service to the greatest possible number of people in the greatest possible number of ways. We hope to be favored with your patronage.

OFFICERS: Joseph Biggs, Pres.; Jesse L. Shepherd, Vice Pres.; John S. Crouch, Cashier.

Capital \$80,000

The Peoples National Bank

Surplus \$30,000

We solicit accounts of Firms and Individuals. Courteous treatment extended to all, whether the account be large or small.

Our Deposits in the past six months have increased \$70,000.00.

W. S. LETHERBURY

General Hardware, Stoves, Ranges and Tinware

Ropes and twines, paints, oils and varnishes, locks, oil heaters, sausage grinders, lamps, table cutlery, carving knives and forks, scissors, loaded shells, etc.

For Xmas a fine lot of pocket knives and skates.

The "New Style Motor Washing Machine," latest out, and a big success! Bissell carpet sweeper, Columbia graphophone and records—new ones each month.

Roofing, Plumbing and Repairing
a Specialty

W. S. Letherbury

Phone No. 57-3

Middletown, Del.

NOTICE EXTRAORDINARY!



S. M. Rosenberg extends to all his customers in Middletown and in the country for miles around, the compliments of the season—A Merrie Christmas and a Happy New Year to each!

"Christmas Gifts" Wholesale!

Do you know the Globe Clothing Store is actually giving away Christmas gifts Wholesale! A Gift with every purchase! "How's that?" you ask. It's this way:—I am forced to leave the store where I've done business for 13 years, and where I expected to do so 13 years more! So, rather than pack up, move, and unpack, the whole Big Stock of Winter Clothing, Furnishings, Notions, etc. and Ladies' Wearing Apparel—\$12,000.00 worth, now in my store-rooms (which to do would take time and money) I have resolved to give the cost of this removal to my customers in the shape of a big CUT in PRICES of 33 per cent!

Thus I am in effect giving to every purchaser from the Globe Clothing Store with every purchase a Christmas Gift!

This Big Stock of Winter Clothing is New, of First Quality, well-made, and in the latest styles. And what's more, comprises the largest and most complete stock of Men's and Boys' Clothing to be found in Middletown!

Besides this, I have a full line of Furnishings, Notions, and Ladies' Wearing Apparel. Here are a few things from out my Big Stock.

Men's Clothing

In all your life did you ever hear of such prices for first-class Men's clothing, all made by well known tailors! Be shrewd enough to seize the chance.

\$ 9.00 to \$10.00 Suits, removal price	\$.6.25
12.50 to 15.00 Suits, removal price	8.75
16.00 to 17.00 Suits, removal price	9.75
18.00 to 20.00 Suits, removal price	12.50
15.00 to 22.00 Suits, removal price	14.00

Men's Overcoats

Latest Styles — hinchillas, Dominicans, Balmacans, all up-to-date models.	
\$10.00 Overcoats, removal sale price	\$ 6.50
12.00 Overcoats, removal sale price	7.50
15.00 Overcoats, removal sale price	8.75
16.00 to \$17.00 Overcoats, sale price	10.50
18.00 to 20.00 Overcoats, sale price	12.20

NOTIONS

5c Paper of pins	2c
Clark's Cotton	4c
Ladies' Handkerchiefs	4c
Handkerchiefs	4c
Hair pins plg.	1c
10c Safety Pins	3c
50c Suspenders	23c
Youths' Suits	\$2.95
Canvas Gloves, heavy duck	7c
Men's 25c Dress Suspenders, calf ends	11c
10c Collar Butted, 4 on card	5c

NECKTIES

50c neckties	23c
75c neckties	30c
25c Bow Ties	9c

These are in the latest patterns and materials

Ladies' Wearing Apparel

Prices that do not cover the cost of the materials.	
Ladies' 35c Underwear	23c
Ladies' 50c Ribbed and Fleece Underwear	43c
Ladies' \$1.25 Union Suits	92c
Ladies' Shirt Waists	43c
Ladies' \$1.25 shirt waists	93c
Ladies' \$2.00 silk shirt waists	\$1.25
Ladies' 50c Hose	43c
Ladies' 25c Hose	21c
Ladies' 25c Hose	18c
Ladies' 15c Hose	9c
Best Grade Rubber Boots, Hoods Brand, regular price \$4.50 to \$5.50, price	\$3.39 to \$4.49
Men's Best Grade Felt Boots, regular price \$3 to \$3.75, sale price	\$1.98 to \$2.40

Men's, Boys' Furnishings

For less than cost at the factory!	
An opportunity that comes but once in a lifetime!	
Men's Fleece Underwear, Extra heavy 50c, sale price	42c
Men's Natural Wool Underwear \$1.50 each, sale price	92c
Wright's Health Underwear, known the world over, \$1.25 removal sale price	92c
Boys' Fleece Underwear, heavy all sizes, regular price 35c, removal sale price	22c
Men's Union Suits, Fleece and Rib, high-grade \$1.25 and \$1.50, removal sale price	98c
Boys' Union Suits, same make	38c

SWEATERS

Ladie's-Men's and Boy's-Big Reductions	
75c sweaters	43c
\$1.25 sweaters	93c
\$2.00 sweaters	\$1.49
\$3.00 sweaters	1.98
\$4.00 sweaters	2.50
\$5.00 sweaters	3.25

GLOVES

Ladie's Men's and Boy's Big Cuts	
15c Gloves	09c
20c Gloves	11c
25c Gloves	19c
50c Gloves	3.9c
75c Gloves	43c
\$1.00 Gloves	79c
\$1.50 Gloves	93c

Just Half Price

Boys' Clothing—fine cloth, newest Norfolk and Bargarian styles.	
\$3.00 Suits, removal sale price	\$ 1.50
3.50 to \$4.00 Suits, removal sale price	1.75
4.50 Suits, removal sale price	2.25
5.00 Suits, removal sale price	2.50
6.00 Suits, removal sale price	3.00
7.00 Suits, removal sale price	3.50
8.00 Suits, removal sale price	4.00

Hats and Caps

2.50 Hats, removal sale price	\$ 1.4
2.00 Hats, removal sale price	
1.50 Hats, removal sale price	
\$1.00 Boys' Hats	
50c Boys' Caps	23
\$1.00 Men's Caps	43
\$1.50 Men's Caps	93



THE GLOBE CLOTHING STORE

S. M. ROSENBERG, Prop.

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A part of the Public School System of the State. Tuition free to all Delaware students. Able faculty. Varied courses. Experimental farm and well equipped shop and laboratories. Beautiful and healthful location.

The College has three departments with a four years' course leading to degrees of A. B. and B. S.

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MECHANICAL, ELECTRICAL and CHEMICAL**

Also a practical course of two years in Agriculture. For catalogues and other information, address **SAMUEL C. MITCHELL**, President, Newark, Delaware.

The Women's College of Delaware

Tuition free to all Delaware students. Two new buildings, modern equipment, and attractive campus. The College has three departments:

Also a brief practical course of two years in Education or Home Economics, leading to a certificate.

Four years' course leading to the degree of A. B. or B. S.
ARTS AND SCIENCE

Four years' course leading to the degree of B. S., and designed to train teachers for elementary, and secondary schools.
EDUCATION

Four years' course leading to the degree of B. S. for training in home-making and teaching.
HOME ECONOMICS

The Summer School for Teachers opens June 28, 1915, and closes August 6. A rare chance for every teacher in the State to increase her earning power and her ability to render high service to the Commonwealth.

The beautiful Residence Hall of the Women's College will be thrown open to the students of the Summer School. Tuition free and living expenses low. Able faculty and varied courses of instruction designed primarily for those who intend to teach. Do you plan to embrace this opportunity for growth and service? For catalogue and other information, address **WINIFRED J. ROBINSON**, Dean, Newark, Delaware.

A Silver Tea Caddy

By SOPHY F. GOULD

HE was a frail-looking little girl, who had been self-supporting for over three years, since her mother died, and was tired now, as she walked through the street crowded with shopgirls like herself.

Listlessly, in order for a minute to avoid the onrush of hurrying humans, she paused before a shop window where antiques of all kinds were grouped attractively.

There was little in the window to interest a mite or girl earning a piftry \$6 a week, yet of a sudden her eyes, a moment before so tired, lighted excitedly, and a casual observer might have noticed how exquisitely beautiful they were. The tired line of her mouth also relaxed, and hopefully she stepped closer to the plate glass and peered for a long, concentrated moment at a silver tea caddy of quaint design. After a second's hesitation she opened the door and walked bravely into the little shop.

"The tea caddy?" she asked of the woman who greeted her inquiringly. "How much is it?"

"The little silver one?" The woman looked her surprise, as she noted the shabby black coat and much-worn skirt. "You wanted to buy it?" she asked kindly, for something in the girl's eyes made her know she was in earnest. "It is \$25."

"Twenty-five dollars!" the girl gasped, and as suddenly as it had come the brightness left her eyes. "Twenty-five," she repeated. "I'm afraid I could never afford that." She gripped her pay envelope firmly and, turning, walked out of the shop.

In her tiny room, as she cooked her meager dinner over the gas plate, and later, when lying wide awake in her narrow bed, she thought of the beautiful tea caddy. She thought until it became a cherished ideal, vested with wonderful scenes among the great people of the world.

The following day she neglected her lunch, and hurried to the shop to once more view the wonderful caddy.

When she entered the woman greeted her warmly, for the expression in her eyes had proved haunting to the woman all the past night.

"Did you really want to buy the caddy?" she asked, as she handed it to the girl, "for if you do—"

"I must buy it," she interrupted, as she took it reverently in her two hands, "but I can't pay the money all at once." She hesitated.

"How much could you pay?" The woman suddenly understood the girl's



need, and a great kindness came to her. "Perhaps we could come to terms."

"I have \$6 that I have saved, and I think I can spare 50 cents each week. I only make \$6," she added, apologetically.

"Six dollars!" the woman gasped, as the enormity of the girl's project came to her. "You may have it at your own terms," she said impulsively.

"Oh!" For a moment the girl held it to her breast, then she handed the money without regret to the woman.

In the days that followed the woman became very fond of the girl, for she came often to gaze with awe upon the silver caddy of quaint design, and in the short visits the woman learned to know what a difference an ideal can make in a life. In watching the girl's love for the thing that kept her poorer than she need have been the woman found her own life broadening.

On Christmas eve a young man persistently tried to buy the caddy, until the woman finally told him the story of its sale. He listened in wonder, and then asked for the name of the girl, who seemed so great a marvel that he wanted his mother to see and help her.

The same evening, after the young man had left, the girl made her final payment, and with a wild joy throbbing in her heart carried the tea caddy home, and with it a beautiful bunch of holly, a festive touch from the woman.

She had pinched hard to save the 50 cents each week, but her reward was great, and worth the happiness the ideal had always given her.

It was again Christmas eve, and a dainty woman, wrapped in a soft fur coat, opened the door of the little shop, and with extended hand came to the woman. "Merry Christmas!" she exclaimed. "Don't you remember me?"

In the deep, winsome eyes there was something familiar, and suddenly the woman threw her arms about the girl, and peering over her head espied the man.

"We have just been married," he explained. "My mother found her for me, and we wanted to come to thank you for what you have done."

"I have missed your example so." The woman held her very close, laughing softly through her tears, for they were suddenly all so happy, and it was Christmas, for outside faraway bells were ringing.

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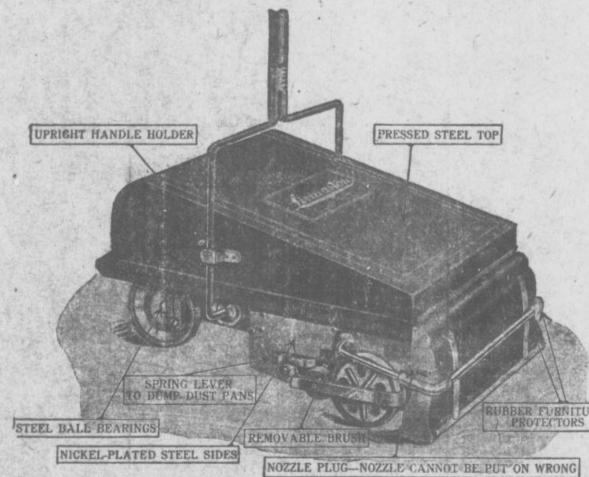
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The upper portion is made of a straight length of ribbon gathered about the box as shown in the picture.

The second bag shown is easy to construct and suited to almost any purpose. It is made by stitching to each edge of a length of striped or figured ribbon, a length of plain satin ribbon, to form a wide strip for making the bag. The ends of this strip are sewed together with a tailed seam and the edges sewed together at the bottom. A casing sewed within two inches of the top, carries the ties of narrow satin ribbon by which the bag is closed and suspended.

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NATION'S LABOR PROBLEM

OVER A MILLION AND A HALF
WOMEN WORK AS FARM HANDS
IN THE UNITED STATES.

By Peter Radford
Lecturer, National Farmers' Union.

Our government never faced so tremendous a problem as that now lying dormant at the doors of congress and the legislatures, and which, when aroused, will shake this nation from center to circumference, and make civilization hide its face in shame. That problem is—women in the field.

The last federal census reports show we now have 1,514,000 women working in the field, most of them south of the Mason and Dixon line. There were approximately a million negro slaves working in the fields when liberated by the emancipation proclamation. We have freed our slaves and our women have taken their places in bondage. We have broken the shackles off the negroes and welded them upon our daughters.

The Chain-Gang of Civilization. A million women in bondage form the southern fields form the chain-gang of civilization—the industrial tragedy of the age. There is no overseer quite so cruel as that of unrestrained greed, no whip that stings like the lash of suborned destiny, and no auctioneer's block quite so revolting as that of organized avarice.

The president of the

whom we covetously with God to cherish and protect, to be hurled from the home to the harvest field, and our mothers dear to be driven from the old arm chair to the cotton patch?

In rescuing our citizens from the forces of civilization, can we not apply to our fair Dixieland the rule of the sea—"women and children first?"

There must be a readjustment of the wage scale of industry so that the women can be taken from the field or given a reasonable wage for her services. Perhaps the issue has never been fairly raised, but the Farmers' Union, with a membership of ten million, puts its organized forces squarely behind the issue and we now enter upon the docket of civilization the case of "The Woman in the Field" and demand an immediate trial.

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I wish all my customers every Holiday delight and a New Year of great prosperity.

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Delaware.

Simpson's Christmas

By KENNETH RAND

"OOLS!" said Mr. Simpson. "Idiots!" he added. "Even if they are my own relatives!" he supplemented with a dogged shake of his partially bald head.

The souvenir postal card which called forth his opprobrious language had just arrived.

"Look at this, will you?" He turned the card over in his fingers.

"Peace on earth, good will to men!" Mr. Simpson read the inscription. Then he turned it over.

"We want you with us day after tomorrow for a good, old-fashioned family reunion around the festive Christmas board!" he read in three lines of handwriting on the other side of the card.

"There you are!" he exclaimed wrathfully. "There you are, doggone it!"

He waved the card violently around in the air at arm's length as he continued muttering.

"They send you one of these paper doldies from a madhouse dining room," went on Mr. Simpson to the listening walls of the room of which he was the only occupant—"with 'Peace on earth, good-will to men' on one side, and on the other an invitation to take a six-hour trip out to the slushy country for a rotten meal with a gang of people who drive me crazy at the thought of being related to, every time I see 'em."

"Here I am," he said, regretfully shaking his head over his hard lot in life, "here I am, planning that I'll be comfortable for at least one Christmas, anyway. Family away in Florida for the winter; we here all alone, to do just as I like—and now along comes this—this summons to spend a day being miserable!"

Suddenly Mr. Simpson sat up straight in his chair.

"By jerry!" he ejaculated suddenly. "By jerry—what's to hinder me from being the martyr in the cause? What's to prevent me from putting an end to this dad-danged practice—huh?

"Suppose I don't go to this Christmas reunion? Suppose I stay home here and enjoy my day of peace on earth in the way I want to? What will happen?

"Why, next year there won't be a single, solitary soul of my relations that will get together in an affair of this kind. I'll have pointed the way—I'll be the example they've been waiting to follow away from custom—and, by jerry, I'll bet you the thing will spread, too!

"And I'll be responsible for it!" added Mr. Simpson joyously—"if I



stay away, just this once, from this Christmas party I've been invited to!

"And think of the good I'm doing to other people, too!" he added. "How grateful the public will be to me for pointing out the way to their own release from this idiotic custom of sacrificing themselves!

"Why, I shouldn't wonder if there would be a statue erected to me as the first man who stayed away from a family-reunion at this holiday! I can see it now, labeled: 'The People's Santa Claus—He Gave Us What We Wanted Most for Christmas!'"

And so, in pleasant reflection upon the perfection of his plan as he had carried it out, Mr. Simpson's thoughts ran until Christmas morning.

It was Mr. Simpson's idea to eat his Christmas dinner, ordered in from a nearby restaurant, in the solitude of his own home, bare as it was of his family.

At one o'clock the waiter brought in the heavy tray. Mr. Simpson superintended the arrangement of its contents on the table in the dining room. And it was just one-fifteen, as he stood rubbing his hands at the prospect of eating alone on Christmas for the first time in his life—when the doorbell rang.

"Doggone it!" burst out Mr. Simpson. "What's that?"

For a moment he decided not to open the door. Then he changed his mind and went downstairs, two at a time. It might be some bad news from his absent family.

He threw open the portal—and staggered back into the hall.

And after him trooped a gayly shouting and laughing party of sixteen—Mr. Simpson's relatives!

"We came to eat our Christmas dinner here!" cried one of his aunts. "You poor man—we knew you'd be all alone!" gushed a first cousin.

"We didn't want you to eat your Christmas dinner all by yourself," chortled another female relation, "so we brought ours here in baskets to eat with you!"

Mr. Simpson looked over the crowd still streaming into his front hall. His lips pursed tightly as he led the way to the dining room.

But all he said, unintelligibly to his unexpected guests, was:

"Well, I guess they won't put up that statue of me as Santa Claus this year!"

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This institution also promotes good morals, by inducing men to save, and use their earnings more, wisely, —more morally.

Middletown should be very proud of the superb record this Association has made—scores of homes presented to homeless men.

And much of this success is due to the wise and faithful service of its Secretary, Mr. A. G. Cox, who has been such since it started 40 years ago.

All who want a Home should read the argument in their ad. in this issue.

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Waterman Ideal Fountain Pen

Ask the first man you meet the name of the best Fountain Pen and it's dollars to doughtons he'll answer "Why the Waterman Ideal, of course."

The late S. R. Crockett, a famous English novelist wrote: "To give away a Waterman's Ideal, is to make a friend for life." A fine tribute of perfect confidence in the pleasing capacity of that pen.

What present is useful and pleasing as a Waterman's Ideal?" Everyone needs at times a fountain pen, and even though they get it from a newspaper, and what so ever, it is a Waterman's Ideal.

You can't carry a Waterman's Ideal around with you—a Friend can't be carried around, and the Ideal is the best gift.

The young people who are writing letters are writing them in Waterman's Ideal pens.

Mr. Troutt's "Ideal Store" where you can tempt the boys to buy all kinds of Biscuits, Nuts, Fruits, Candy, etc.

Mr. Troutt makes candy goods, his are fine and his excellent goods, attention to his business, and try his wares.

L. Fromkin,

Mr. Fromkin's machinery to help him quickly. One would think a Russian shoemaker had head of his business, newest equipment to help him in that business. But one can soon see Fromkin a charm in her worn foot.

The Transcript.

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some "Removals".
Plenty of
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made to fight the flames. Patrolman Purcell, who was on duty near by rushed to the theatre and assisted in directing the patrons out of the building.

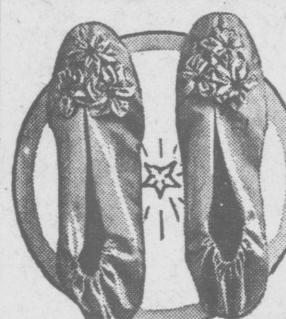
In the meantime, seeing that the flames were gaining rapidly, some one rushed to the Friendship Fire Company house, in the rear of the theatre. The firemen grabbed hand extinguishers, and others carried chemical hose into the theatre. By this time the entire stage was a mass of flames and the curtain went with a puff, the blaze being carried into the scenery loft. Some one pulled the fire alarm box, No. 3 at Tenth and Orange streets and the district fire apparatus arrived, followed immediately by Fire Chief Magill and his assistants. Chief Magill recognized at once the danger of a conflagration in the section filled with automobile garages and sent in a second alarm. This was followed by a general alarm, and from then until 12:30 o'clock every fire fighting machine in Wilmington was in service.

When the flames ate their way up to the loft the heat was intense and those who had been attempting to fight the flames were compelled to run for their lives. Manager Demaree jumped from the stage and started towards the box office for the receipts. He found the door locked, and the money could not be gotten. Shivery held the main doors closed in order to stop a draft, but the smoke and heat were too much and the two men were compelled to leave the burning building.

Alvin Bennett and Ernest Taglio the moving picture operators, had narrowly escaped from injuries. As Bennett started out, he missed his fellow worker and he started upstairs to search for Taglio, whom he thought had fallen in the smoke-filled building. The two youths met on the second floor, but that time their escape was cut off by way of the stairway and they were compelled to jump to the marquee in front of the building.

Still five more Xmas shopping days! Fogel & Burstan's big force will serve you promptly.

Our "Gift Plan" contestants are working like beavers. Others should hump themselves.

Dainty Slippers of Ribbon for Christmas

ANOTHER pretty gift made of plain ribbon is pictured in the pair of boudoir slippers. These are made in all sizes and colors and are appropriate for all the feminine members of the family from grandma down to the baby. Ribbon about two and one-half inches wide is needed to make them. It is sewed to insoles of leather with eldredown on one side (or quilted satin). These soles are bought ready made and cost very little.

In sewing the ribbon to the soles it is fulled slightly across the toe and joined in a felled seam in the back. Above the heel it is gathered on an elastic cord to hold the slipper in. A little fullness is gathered in the toe where three small rosettes are the finishing touch.

Stockings and Girdles among Best of Gifts

NO ONE need remain long in doubt as to what to get for a maid or matron in this day of the vogue of girdles and sashes. A girdleless gown is hardly to be found and whether for the street, the home, or evening wear, ribbons are used to form the circle that enfolds the waist or terminates the bodice. There are any number of styles in girdles and sashes to choose among made of every variety of weave known to the loom and every color and combination of colors that has been thought out.

A girdle of wide plaid ribbon, finished with a sprightly bow of two loops and two ends, is shown in the picture. It makes a Christmas gift that will delight every woman who likes to keep abreast with the mode.

The girdle portion is boned to spread the ribbon and hold it in place with pins. The bow is simply tied and may be untied and the length wrapped about the figure if preferred.

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